

as to make justice and reason the rules of our actions that thereby we may on all occasions demonstrate that we are free & without influence.

Your Goodships faithfully to the most humble Servt
Bill for laying the Publick Levy for the year 1717.

Read and Ordered to be third Endorsed May -

By the Lower House of Assembly June 8th 1717.

Read the first and second times by its selfe ordered and will pay.

Signed by the Hon: Mr: Charles Ch: Ro: Ho:

Which was sent to the Upper House by Col: Marshall Capt: Hernand and Mr: Tasker - They return'd and say they Delivred it.

Mr: Govt from the Upper House delivred Mr: Speaker, a Bill for laying the publick levy that endorseth above -

By the Upper House of Assembly June 8th 1717.

Read in this House and will pay, signed from: John Beard Ch: Uppr: Which was sent to the Committee of Taxes to be Engrossed.

Then the House proceeded to pay the fees due to the Honble Speaker and the Clerk of this House, upon the following private Bills, viz:-

To the Honble Mr: Speaker on the Bill for Building the Cecil County Court House 3 100 -

To the Clerk for Do 500 -

To the Honble Mr: Speaker on John Blash and. Bill 3 2 -

Bill 1 11 -

Col: Courtney and six others from the Upper House Delivred Mr: Speaker the following address to his Maj: - signed by y: Members of yr: House M: -

To the R: Esq: Most Excy: Maj: the Humble address of the L: G: and General Assembly of Maryland,

We your Maj: Most dutifull and Loyall Subjects of the Province of Maryland the L: G: and General Assembly of Maryland, Baron of Baltimore the Lord proffy of this Province humbly begg leave to Congratulate your Maj: upon your Glorious and Happy Successes against all the Inveterate and declared Enemies of your Maj: August: House who by their restles & wicked practices have of late wickedly attempted the Subversion of our Happily Established Constitution by endeavoring to impose a taxe upon us, and by engaging in a Second barbarous and treasonable design of involving your Maj: Subjects by the assistance of foreign powers in an intestine Bloody and Destructive warr providentially prevented by y: - discovery of those treacherous practices concerted and banym'd on